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Sir:

Applicants hereby submit this Petition For Original Filing Date in connection with the Incomplete Nonprovisional Application dated October 29, 2001 (the "Notice") for the above-referenced patent application. Applicants respectfully submit that the above-referenced patent application is entitled to the original filing date of **December 20, 2000**. The Notice states that the above-referenced patent application was deposited without drawings. Applicants respectfully submit that the above-referenced patent application was filed on December 20, 2000 together with the enclosed original drawings and other items as indicated on the enclosed return-receipt postcard. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a filing date of December 20, 2000 for the above-referenced patent application.

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Authorization for use of a Deposit Account is included in the Response to Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application filed herewith. Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 951-6661.

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